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# OBAMA POLICY TO SPARE MANY YOUTHS FROM DEPORTATION REAX

# ALBAN ZAMORA - SAN ANTONIO, TEXAS

PKG: 1:49

President Barack Obama is easing enforcement of immigration laws, effective immediately. The new policy offers a chance for hundreds of thousands of younger illegal immigrants to stay in the U.S. and work. The change was immediately embraced by Hispanics, but criticized by congressional Republicans. The policy change will affect as many as 800,000 immigrants who have lived in fear of deportation. It bypasses Congress and partially achieves the goals of the "DREAM Act."Under the administration plan, illegal immigrants will be immune from deportation if they were brought to the United States before they turned 16 and are younger than 30, have been in the country for at least five continuous years, have no criminal history, graduated from a U.S. high school or earned a GED or served in the

#### FLORIDA IMMIGRATION DETENTION CENTER

**VO/SOT: 1:30** 

Federal government officials have abandoned plans to build an immigrant detention center in Southwest Ranches, authorities announced late Friday, bringing to a close a year-long fight by local residents and others opposed to the facility. The announcement from U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement agency, which would have staffed the detention center, was terse and offered little explanation for the decision. "ICE has reevaluated its need for an additional detention facility in South Florida and has decided that it will no longer pursue a facility in the Town of Southwest Ranches," read a written statement sent by Nestor Yglesias, an ICE spokesman in Miami. "We are examining our options for additional detention space in the region and will make the appropriate notifications when a decision about the way forward has been made." Torres declined to say if the agency is considering other South Florida locations for a detention center, or if ICE has decided that it has enough beds in the region.

# **NEW YORK PROOF OF ETHNICITY**

**PEGGY CARRANZA - NEW YORK** 

PKG: 2:29

When Celines De Leon-Veras decided to get her cleaning company certified under New York City's program assisting minority businesses, she thought she would get easy access to winning city contracts. Instead, she found herself stumped by additional paperwork the city required her to provide to prove her Hispanic status. As part of the application, the city's Department of Small Business Services asked the Leon-Veras, whose parents were born in the Dominican Republic, to furnish not just her birth certificate, but also a signed affidavit confirming her Hispanic identity. "It's ridiculous that I needed an additional

document to prove that I am eligible for the program as a Hispanic," says Leon-Veras, who employs 120 people in her janitorial services business based in Washington Heights. Like Leon-Veras, all Latinos who apply for a certification under the city's Minority and Women-owned Business Enterprise Program - known as M/WBE - have to provide an affidavit along with their application. None of the other ethnic groups the program serves, including Asians and blacks, must do the same.

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#### **OBAMA'S NEW POLICY REACTIONS**

MARIANA ATENCIO. MIAMI, FLORIDA

**PKG 2:00** 

Mitt Romney is refusing to say that he would overturn President Barack Obama's new policy allowing some young illegal immigrants to stay in the United States. Romney was asked three times in the interview if he would overturn Obama's order, but he didn't directly answer. He said he would work to pass a law to help young people who were "brought in by their parents through no fault of their own." The candidate's comments represent a further softening of his rhetoric on immigration since the GOP primary campaign ended.

## JUAN CARLOS GONZALEZ. PHOENIX, ARIZONA

VO:20 SOT:20

Police agencies that would enforce the most controversial part of Arizona's 2010 immigration law are expected to get squeezed by legal challenges from opposite sides if the U.S. Supreme Court upholds the law in the coming days. Opponents of the Arizona law, known as SB1070, are likely to sue police departments on claims that officers racially profile people as they enforce the provision of the law that requires police to check the immigration status of people they stop for other reasons. But legal challenges also are expected from the other side: from supporters who could claim that a police agency has broken the law if it restricts the enforcement of SB1070. A little-known section of the law lets anyone sue an agency that has a policy that restricts the enforcement of immigration law.

# NY:STOP AND FRISK RALLY

VO:20

Thousands of civil rights activists led a silent march through New York City, calling for an end to the police department's stop-and-frisk policy. The march took protesters from Harlem to Mayor Michael Bloomberg's house. Demonstrators say the N-Y-P-D's stop-and-frisk policy unfairly targets African-American and

Latino youth. But Mayor Bloomberg and Police Commissioner Ray Kelly defend the policy as an effective way to get guns off the streets and save lives. Participants in the march included the Reverend Al Sharpton, and the families of Ramarley Graham and Trayvon Martin -- two black teenagers whose deaths sparked a national debate over race relations.

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"TODOS SOMOS ARIZONA"

MARIA ANTONIETA COLLINS. PHOENIX, ARIZONA

PKG 2:00

Nearly two-dozen media outlets serving Arizona's Latino community will interrupt their regular programming to jointly air a special on the state's immigration law ahead of a U.S. Supreme Court ruling on the controversial measure. Television and radio stations in Phoenix, Tucson and Yuma will broadcast the 30-minute feature at 5:00 p.m. Wednesday as part of the "Hoy Somos Arizona" (Today We Are Arizona) initiative. The effort aims to address the fears and concerns of Hispanics as they await the high court's decision on Arizona law SB 1070, which aims to criminalize the presence of undocumented immigrants in the state. The Supreme Court will rule by the end of this month on the U.S. Justice Department's challenge to SB 1070.

#### AMERICANS MORE POSITIVE ABOUT IMMIGRATION

VIVIANA AVILA. CHICAGO, ILLINOIS

PKG 2:00

President Barack Obama's decision not to deport young people who came to the U.S. illegally as children comes at a time when Americans' views toward immigration are much more positive than they have been in recent years. Currently, 66% say immigration is a "good thing" for the U.S. today, up from 59% last year and one percentage point off the high of 67% in 2006. The findings reflect a June 7-10 Gallup poll, conducted just days before the Obama administration put U.S. immigration back into the headlines by announcing that it would bypass Congress and stop deporting undocumented immigrants who came to the U.S. illegally as children -- a change that would affect hundreds of thousands of people. An update to one of Gallup's longest-standing questions on immigration finds more Americans in favor of keeping levels the same (42%) than in favor of decreasing them (35%). For most of the past 40 years, the opposite has been true, with more calling for decreased immigration than keeping the status quo.

YOUNG LATINOS DIABETES

#### VO:20

Young Latinos Have Fastest Growing Rate Of Diabetes, Study Says The number of Latino children and youth under 20 years of age diagnosed with diabetes is growing at an alarming rate -- the fastest of any ethnic group in the U.S. It might be hard to tell a chubby-cheeked *gordito* that he can have only one helping of flan after dinner, but doctors say a healthy diet and good exercise habits are the key to fixing one of the Latino community's scariest health problems. A new study released by research affiliates with the American Diabetes Association found that the number of Latino children and youth under 20 years of age diagnosed with diabetes is growing at an alarming rate -- the fastest of any ethnic group in the U.S.

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AZ SPANISH BRODCAST
MARIA ANTONIETA COLLINS / PHOENIX, ARIZONA
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Twenty-three Spanish language TV and radio stations in Arizona will air a half-hour program Wednesday about the state's 2010 immigration law. The program comes as the U.S. Supreme Court is expected to rule before the end of the month on an appeal of a ruling that put the law's most controversial parts on hold, such as a requirement that officers check the immigration status of people they stop for other reasons.

STUDENT LOANS

LUIS MEGID / SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

PKG 1:57

Congress is still at a loggerheads over how to pay for an extension of student loan interest rates that will expire at the end of this month, and the House Democrats' campaign arm is using the impasse to lay blame at the feet of the GOP if students are ultimately forced to dole out more money to pay off loans. The Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee will launch <a href="www.StudentLoanCountdown.com">www.StudentLoanCountdown.com</a> which features a countdown clock ticking down the seconds until the current rates end, and proclaims: "Republican inaction will put students in deeper debt." It also features a petition addressed to Speaker John Boehner (R-Ohio) and House Majority Leader Eric Cantor (R-Va.) that people can sign to urge the Republican leaders to come to a deal on the student loan issue.

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**NO INSURANCE** 

LUIS MEGID. SAN FRANCISCO, CALIFORNIA

PKG 2:00

As the nation anxiously awaits the U.S. Supreme Court's ruling on the constitutionality of the health care reform law that guarantees health coverage for all Americans, a study released today shows that California has the highest number of people who die prematurely each year because they do not have health insurance. In 2010 alone, about 3,164 Californians between the ages of 25 and 64 died prematurely for lack of health insurance, said the study released by the national organization for health care consumers. That translates to about 61 Californians every week. Nationwide, 26,000 Americans in that same age group, died last year for the same reason. Between 2005 and 2010, the number of people who died prematurely due to a lack of health coverage each year rose from 20,350 to 26,100 nationwide, the study indicated. And between 2005 and 2010, the total number of people who died prematurely due to a lack of health coverage was 134,120. The Families USA study applied the groundbreaking methodology developed by the Institute of Medicine (IOM) in 2002 to determine mortality data on a state-by-state basis. High as the newly-released figures are, they are conservative because researchers for the IOM study did not include children and young adults under 25, noted Pollack.

WALMART LAWSUIT

VILMA TARAZONA. MIAMI, FLORIDA

PKG 2:00

A group of immigrant workers has gone on strike and compiled over 130,000 signatures in an effort to get retail giant Wal-Mart to drop its contract with a Louisiana-based seafood company amid allegations of forced labor and brutal work conditions. The workers, all immigrants from Mexico in the U.S. on H-2B work visas, recently created a petition with the National Guestworker Alliance (NGA) asking Wal-Mart to hold CJ's Seafood of Louisiana accountable for violating supplier standards. Spearheaded by worker Ana Rosa Díaz, the employees claim that supervisors at CJ's Seafood forced them to work up to 24 hours at a

time with no overtime pay, locked them in the facility and threatened to beat them with a shovel to stop them from taking breaks.

#### MORTGAGE RATES

VO:20

The average U.S. rate on a 30-year fixed mortgage fell this week to a record low for the seventh time in eight weeks. The average rate on the 30-year mortgage slipped to 3.66 percent. That's down from 3.71 percent last week. The average rate on the 15-year mortgage fell to 2.95 percent, nearly matching the record-low rate of 2.94 percent reached two weeks ago. The average rate on the 30-year fixed mortgage has been below 4 percent since December. Cheap mortgages have made home-buying and refinancing more attractive to those who can qualify.

# **OBAMA STUDENT LOANS**

VO:20

President Barack Obama is urging Congress to stop interest rates on student loans from doubling on July 1. The president says millions of young people are being priced out of the college market or saddled with debt once they graduate. If Congress doesn't act, interest rates on new loans will double from 3.4 percent to 6.8 percent come July. Obama says that means an additional \$1,000 a year for the average student. Obama says it's "mindboggling" that the stalemate in Washington has dragged on so long. Republicans in Congress have suggested a payment plan that gradually would increase the amount that federal workers contribute to their pensions by 1.2 percent over the next three years. It is based on savings the president included in his budget plan this year.

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# RALLY SET TO PROTEST ARPAIO'S TENT CITY

### MARIA ANTONIETA COLLINS LIVE FROM PHOENIX, ARIZONA

#### PKG 2:30

More than 1,000 critics of Maricopa County Sheriff Joe Arpaio are expected to gather Saturday night for a rally to call for the closure of the sheriff's complex of canvas jail tents. Organizers say conditions in Arpaio's "Tent City" complex are inhumane. The sheriff has said he doesn't see any problems with housing inmates in tents and often points out that some members of the U.S. military live in tents. Arpaio will be at the protest to defend his policies and has offered to give tours of Tent City to a few protesters. The county's jails will be closed to visitors on Saturday in anticipation of the rally. The rally is being held by the immigrant rights group Puente Arizona and the Unitarian Universalist Association, which is holding its annual convention in Phoenix this weekend.

### **GAS PRICES COULD HIT \$3**

#### VO:33

Those issues appear to be over, at least for now. Thursday, benchmark crude oil fell 4% to \$78.20 a barrel, the lowest price since early October and off 20% year-to-date. Coupled with slumping wholesale gasoline contracts for fall delivery, "the market is suggesting gas below \$3 by Halloween, and certainly by Thanksgiving," says Tom Kloza of the Oil Price Information Service. With production up, oil inventories at 21-year highs and tepid consumer demand, gas prices have fallen for 11 weeks. They're expected to drop more sharply after the peak summer driving season.

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#### "DEBBY" LATEST

VO: 30

Louisiana's governor has declared a state of emergency as Tropical Storm Debby threatens to flood low-lying coastal areas. Gov. Bobby Jindal issued the declaration on Sunday. Declaring a state of emergency is a primarily bureaucratic move that makes it easier for state officials to send needed supplies and workers to disaster-stricken areas. Debby was moving very slowly out over the Gulf of Mexico, and it

already had dumped heavy rain on parts of Florida. It was not completely clear when or where Debby would make landfall, though current models showed it reaching hurricane strength by the time it hit the Louisiana coastline.

# **WILDFIRES 11,000**

VO: 26

Wildfires have moved in on some of Colorado's most popular summer tourist destinations, demolishing nearly two dozen homes near Rocky Mountain National Park and emptying hotels and campgrounds at the base of Pikes Peak. A wildfire burning out of control near Colorado Springs has scorched more than 3 square miles. At least 11,000 residents of the town of Manitou Springs and three nearby communities have been ordered to leave. Tinder-dry conditions, gusty winds and temperatures in the 90s have been feeding eight fires across the state.

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**SUPREME COURT SB1070** 

MARIA ANTONIETA COLLINS

PKG 2:00

The Supreme Court has struck down key provisions of Arizona's crackdown on immigrants. But the court said Monday that one part of the law requiring police to check the status of someone they suspect is not in the United States legally could go forward. Even there, though, the justices said the provision could be subject to additional legal challenges. Republican Governor Jan Brewer hailed Monday's U.S. Supreme Court decision upholding a key part of Arizona's crackdown on illegal immigrants, while the law's critics said thousands of families will live in fear in the southwestern state bordering Mexico. The Supreme Court supported the law's most controversial aspect, requiring police to check the immigration status of people they stop, but three other provisions that had been challenged by the federal government.

#### OTHER STATES HAVE ALSO SIMILAR LAWS

VO:20 SOT:20

After Arizona passed SB 1070 in 2010, GOP-led legislatures in five other states - Alabama, Georgia, Indiana, South Carolina and Utah - followed its lead in 2011 by passing similar laws. Portions of all of those laws were blocked by lower courts, and efforts in other states stalled during state legislative sessions this year. While both opponents and supporters of state-led immigration crackdowns said Monday's ruling will help their causes, legal experts weren't so sure.

#### SB1070 DECISION IMPACT

# JAIME GARCIA / LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

PKG 1:57

With a major provision of Senate Bill 1070 upheld, states are free to pursue similar enforcement measures allowing law officers to determine someone's legal status. How aggressively they will remains to be seen, and Alabama, Georgia, Indiana, South Carolina and Utah passed immigration-enforcement laws of their own after Arizona's 2010 law officials there are now assessing how the U.S. Supreme Court ruling affects them.

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**WEIGHT LOSS PILL** 

VILMA TARAZONA / MIAMI, FLORIDA

PKG 1:40

Federal Food and Drug Administration officials approved a new weight-loss pill Wednesday, giving the nod to Belviq used in combination with a reduced-calorie diet and <u>exercise</u> to combat obesity. The Arena Pharmaceuticals drug, which also goes by the generic name lorcaserin, is one of three new potential weight-loss treatments the agency is considering and the first new weight-loss medication approved in 13 years. More than two-thirds of adult Americans are overweight or obese.

# **CHICAGO MARIHUANA**

VO:20

The Chicago City Council voted overwhelmingly today to decriminalize the posession of small amounts of marijuana ,giving police the discretion to write tickets instead of arrest violators, the Chicago Tribune reports. The proposal, put forth by Mayor Rahm Emanuel, passed, 43-3. The new law, covering possession of 15 grams of marijuana or less, could take effect as soon as July. Fines would run between \$250 and \$500.

#### ANTINICOTINE VACCINE

#### VO:23

An anti-nicotine vaccine could give smokers a leg up on quitting, new research suggests. The study on mice indicates that the vaccine can deliver a gene that stops nicotine before it reaches the brain, protecting the mice from the nicotine "high" for their entire lives with just one dose. Nicotine is a highly addictive drug found in cigarettes and other tobacco products, which also cause cancer.

# SUPREME COURT ON OBAMA CARE

#### LOURDES DEL RIO / WASHINGTON, DC

#### PKG 2:51

Saving its biggest case for last, the Supreme Court is expected to announce its verdict Thursday on President Barack Obama's health care law. The outcome is likely to be a factor in the presidential campaign and help define John Roberts' legacy as chief justice. But the court's ruling almost certainly will not be the last word on America's tangled efforts to address health care woes. The problems of high medical costs, widespread waste and tens of millions of people without insurance will require Congress and the president to keep looking for answers, whether or not the Affordable Care Act passes the test of constitutionality.

## STUDENT LOAN AGREEMENT

## VO:21

A congressional Republican says the House and Senate have tentatively agreed to prevent interest rates on new college loans from doubling to 6.8 percent this Sunday. The one-year extension of the existing 3.4 percent rate on subsidized Stafford loans is the same package that Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid, a Nevada Democrat, and Senate GOP leader Mitch McConnell of Kentucky said on Tuesday they had worked out.

#### SUMMERBREAK COSTS

#### VO:19

Families will pay a pretty penny to keep their children busy this summer. According to new data from American Express, the 20-12 summer break is set to cost an average American family 600 dollars. And affluent families are expected to dish out nearly double that amount. The study looked at a random sample of about two-thousand adults. Most parents say they plan to spend a chunk of that money on trips to places like theme parks.

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# **HEALTH CARE REFORM**

#### BLANCA ROSA VILCHEZ, NEW YORK

#### PKG 2:30

The Supreme Court has upheld the heart of President Barack Obama's health care overhaul -- ruling in favor of the requirement that most Americans can be required to have health insurance, or else pay a penalty. The decision means the historic overhaul will continue to take effect over the next several years, affecting the way countless Americans receive and pay for their personal medical care. The ruling also hands President Barack Obama a campaign-season victory. The court found problems with the law's expansion of Medicaid. But even there, it said the expansion could proceed as long as the federal government does not threaten to withhold the entire Medicaid allotment to states if they don't take part in the extension. The court's four liberal justices, Stephen Breyer, Ruth Bader Ginsburg, Elena Kagan and Sonia Sotomayor, joined Roberts in the outcome.

#### WHO WILL BE BENEFITIATED?

#### JAIME GARCIA. LOS ANFGELES, CALIFORNIA

#### PKG 2:00

President Barack Obama says the Supreme Court's decision to uphold his health care overhaul is a "victory for people all over the country" and will make their lives more secure. Obama says the decision upholds the fundamental principle that in America -- the wealthiest nation on earth -- no one should fall into financial ruin because of an illness. The president says the decision means that people with pre-existing medical conditions will not be discriminated against and people will be able to afford quality health care. The nation's highest court on Thursday upheld the individual insurance requirement at the center of the president's overhaul. Polling has suggested that most Americans oppose the law and Republican presidential candidate Mitt Romney vowed again after the ruling to seek its repeal.

#### **COKE AND PEPSI CONTAIN ALCOHOL**

VO:20

Can't beat the real thing: The revelation will cause concern among those who chose the carbonated soft drink for religious, health or safety reasons

These include the brand leaders Coca-Cola and Pepsi Cola, while it is mainly only cheap supermarket versions of the drink which are alcohol-free.

'60 Million Consumers', the French magazine, publishes the results of the tests in its latest issue.

They suggest that the alcohol levels are as low as 10mg in every litre, and this works out at around 0.001 per cent alcohol.

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#### **COLLEGE STUDENT LOANS**

VO: 20

The House has passed a bill aimed at salvaging 2.8 million jobs and forestalling a sharp increase in interest rates on college loans. The measure, which cleared the House on a 373-52 vote, and Senate approval is expected shortly. The legislation also would shore up the federal flood insurance program. The bill would spend more than \$100 billion on highway and transit programs over two years. And it would also prevent a doubling of interest rates on new student loans, which is scheduled to go into effect Sunday. A deal clearing the way for passage of the bill was reached after Republicans gave up their demands that the bill require approval of the contentious Keystone XL pipeline and Democrats gave way on environment protections.

#### **GAS PRICES**

JAIME GARCIA. LOS ANGELES, CALIFORNIA

PKG 2:00

Americans are saving \$200 million per day on gasoline, compared to April. The national average price of regular gasoline has dropped 41 cents since April 2, according to the U.S. Energy Information Administration's This Week in Petroleum June 20 report. Gas prices continue to fall. The current average nationwide for a gallon of regular is \$3.83, down 26 cents from a month ago and 18 cents from a year ago, according to AAA's Fuel Gauge Report. Americans are now spending roughly \$200 million per day less on gas than in early April, when gas peaked at \$3.94 per gallon. And analysts are expecting further declines. One economist on Tuesday forecast the national average will soon fall to \$3.10 per gallon, according to BloomBerg Businessweek.

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